

## THE MANIPUR TROUBLE.

### A TROUBLESOME LITTLE STATE IN INDIA.

Rebellious Natives Slaughter British Officers and Goorka Troops, and the latter in turn mow down fleeing Manipuris—Fleeing People—The Rajah's Palace.

There is scarcely a time when Great Britain is not having trouble with some of her dependencies, the people of many of which have no appreciation of modern civilization, no sympathy with the habits and customs of their conquerors, and nothing but horror and disgust for their religion. Thousands of young Englishmen are employed in the government of these provinces, and other thousands are engaged as soldiers in overhauling the discontented or subduing the rebellious natives. An outbreak here and an insurrection there serve to keep these soldiers busy and to make an excuse for the levying of heavy tribute upon the native princes. The numerical insignificance of the Englishmen is more than counteracted by their diplomacy and their ability to use one native tribe or faction against another. Only occasion-

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Types of Manipur Natives.



NATIVE VILLAGE OF KAIMA, MANIPUR.

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Manipur is a small native State in northeastern India, between Assam and

missioner Quinton, Colonel Skene and Mr. Grimwood, the Resident, went out to treat with the natives and were made captives. The Manipuris again attacked the residence, and the beleaguered force abandoned the building and retreated fighting across the hills. Over 300 of them were hacked to pieces by the Manipuris, and only a remnant succeeded in escaping to a place of safety. The fighting retreat was a terrible one, the heroic little band contesting every inch of ground and slaying several times their own number. Nearly all of the British officers were killed. Lieut. A. Grant, of the Second Battalion, Fourth Goorkas, advancing with a small force to rescue the prisoners at Manipur, encountered a stout resistance at Fort Thobal, garrisoned by 800 Manipuris. After a desperate struggle, he captured the place and advanced three miles to Waitha, where he was surrounded by a superior hostile force. Assistance was sent him from Tarnu, which is a British military post, sixty miles distant. Meantime a British column under Gens. Lockart and Turner gave battle to a large Manipur force in the Bhagiri Valley and completely routed them. The natives fled to the hills and were mown down with shrapnell shell. The final result of the trouble will of course be the subjugation of the Manipuris, but England has found that it is dangerous to interfere with native superstitions. The revolt of 1857 should have taught her that. Her interference in the government of Manipur has led to the defeat and slaughter of 300 of her troops.

Commissioner Quinton, Colonel Skene, Mr. Grimwood, Mr. Cossins, and Lieutenant Simpson, who under a flag of truce treated with the revolutionary native leaders, were captured and their



A MANIPUR CHIEF.

upper Burma, about 8,000 square miles in extent, and with a population of 200,000. They are a wild and ferocious people naturally, and while not exactly savages, are not advanced in modern civilization. The state is under British protection (another name for subjugation),



WHERE THE BRITISHERS WERE CAPTURED AND KILLED.

and is managed by an officer called a Resident, stationed at the capital, also called Manipur. For forty years the native ruler has been the Maharajah Chandra Kirti Sirgh, who has been an obedient servant of the British, but last year the discontented people, led by the senapatty or commander of the Manipur army, deposed the rajah and raised to the throne a brother of the senapatty, a weak man who left the real power with the senapatty. The rajah and deposed rajah appealed for assistance to J. W. Quinton, the British Chief Commissioner of Assam, who



GOORKA SOLDIERS.

set forth from Shilling with an escort of 470 of the Forty-second and Forty-fourth Battalions of Goorka Light Infantry, commanded by British officers. These Goorkas are puny, ugly-looking little natives, but are loyal to the British and are great warriors. Quinton and his soldiers entered Manipur and marched to the capital. Quinton sent word to the new rajah to surrender his dangerous brother, but the latter declined to be surrendered. Colonel Skene was then sent with 550 men to the palace to arrest the senapatty, or jural (heir to the throne) as he now called himself. The

forces completely routed. The prisoners were transixed with spears and their bodies were mutilated and thrown to the dogs. Unimportant as may seem the recent trouble in Manipur its results may be far reaching. English prestige is the power that maintains her supremacy in India, a prestige that was established by Lord Clive and perpetuated by Hastings. Should that prestige be broken it would cost England dearly to keep the different provinces in subjection, for they are only pacified because they feel they cannot be otherwise. It is this alone that attaches such interest to affairs in Manipur.

The city of Manipur consists of a native town, a palace fortress and the British residency. The two latter are close together, though not being by any means protected alike. The residency is surrounded by a wall, enclosing also the treasury, guard house, dispensary, etc. It is constructed of wood, bamboo and thatch, and is not calculated to stand a determined attack. The rajah's palace, as well as the ministerial buildings, seraglio, Sepoy's barracks, and jail, is surrounded by a wall and by a deep, wide ditch, upon which boat races are sometimes held. The ditch and wall make the inclosure well-nigh impregnable.

Manipur possesses a famous breed of ponies, and the game of polo, or hockey on horseback, is said to have been invented in this country. Some of the more civilized natives are expert weavers of cloth and silk, saddlers, carpenters and metal-workers, who emigrate into Eastern Bengal.

"KEEPING UP APPEARANCES" is defined by one authority upon modern manners to mean "a frugal diet in order to give an occasional dinner party."

A MIRROR brought to this country in 1776 stands in the window of a Chester, Pa., furniture store.

## READS LIKE ROMANCE.

### CAPTAIN PORTER TELLS THE QUEER STORY.

Arrest of the Second Southern Illinois Minister Wanted for Passing Bogus Money—The Rev. Vancil Thought He Converted a Man Who Afterward Proved a Counterfeiter.

It was a remarkable story that Capt. Porter, of the 86th Service, told a Chicago reporter. The captain had just returned from Springfield, Ill., where he had taken to be locked up by the Rev. George Vancil, a Baptist preacher, who was arrested near Duquoin, Ill., for passing spurious money.

The fact that makes the case more than ordinarily interesting is that Vancil is the second minister arrested in that locality for similar crimes within seven days. The first instance was the arrest of the Rev. "Jerry" Holmes for making bogus money, and now come the details of the second offender's capture.

"Vancil is greatly inferior to Holmes," said Capt. Porter. "He has not the shrewdness nor the bodily health that Holmes has, and it was therefore an easy matter for Holmes to impose upon Vancil and make a dupe of him. Vancil's reputation as a liar is much more widespread than his fame as a good man. The arrest was made upon information given us by the Rev. Fishback, pastor of the Christian Church at Duquoin. This divine heard Vancil's voluntary confession, which was very complete, and was marked by expressions of repentance and humility. Vancil told me his story as we were returning upon the train."

"Jerry Holmes was one of the worst characters in Duquoin," he said. "Every one shunned him, as they thought he was too far gone to redeem. I tried to convert him. One night we rode over a long, dark road together. We talked about religion, and after a long argument he declared himself converted, and fell upon his knees in the muddy road and prayed. A short time thereafter he was appointed a minister and licensed to preach the gospel. A short time later I waited to church one morning with Holmes, and he said he had some counterfeit money which he wanted me to dispose of. I was very indignant and threatened to give him up to the authorities. He talked me out of that idea, and finally I took the money upon his promise to cease his evil ways. When he handed me two bad dollar bills, I thought I would have a stronger hold upon him with the money in his possession."

"I have a wife and eight children, and I must be fed. My salary is not large enough to support them well, and when my little girl wanted some little thing I passed the bad money and got the trinket for her."

"Holmes went away from Duquoin, and it is alleged that Vancil wrote to him, telling him he had passed it. When Holmes returned to Duquoin he brought back a sackful of the bad dollars, and helped Vancil hide them. Holmes gave Vancil nine more of the dollars, and the latter passed three of them at a little circus that came into the town. Several days thereafter Vancil entered the express office to receive a package upon which 25 cents was due. The express agent, R. G. Wheatley, happened to be reading of Holmes' arrest. He spoke of it to Vancil, and the latter confessed that he had been equally guilty in the sight of the world, but he knew that the Lord would forgive him, for he had done it so as to find out about the entire gang and tell upon them."

### INSANE ASYLUMS.

#### Census Statistics Concerning Some of the Western Institutions.

From figures published by the Census Bureau the following is compiled concerning the insane asylums mentioned below:

PLACE.	Established.	Patients treated Fifty-first decade.	Patients treated prev't decade.	Cost, Do/Prs.	Cost, Do/Prs.
Jacksville, Ill.	1851	3440	148,679	3184	12,828
Elgin, Ill.	1849	1612	110,891	1734	184,750
Duquoin, Ill.	1870	424	174,279	1734	184,750
Anna, Ill.	1878	2154	164,871	1128	14,730
Kankakee, Ill.	1879	4181	260,772	116	21,348
Indianapolis, Ind.	1858	7012	244,836	43	7,142,677
Louisville, Ky.	1858	555	55,554	187	1,900,000
St. Pleasant, Iowa	1861	3639	184,073	2847	12,815
Indianapolis, Iowa	1813	3511	125,525	116	21,348
Kankakee, Iowa	1858	2111	171,758	2991	16,968
Anaconda, Iowa	1869	87	58,519	187	1,900,000
Topeka, Kan.	1870	100	121,181	116	21,348
Kankakee, Mich.	1858	323	30,100	187	1,900,000
Fontaine, Mich.	1878	2338	124,561	676	22,100
Ionian, Mich.	1883	192	19,203	116	21,348
Traverse City, Mich.	1885	126	94,241	187	1,900,000
St. Peter, Minn.	1863	2711	106,501	2994	13,901
Rochester, Minn.	1878	2181	171,468	116	21,348
St. Louis, Mo.	1869	2478	192,857	1435	60,922
St. Joseph, Mo.	1874	1769	171,129	116	21,348
Nebraska, Mo.	1887	48	24,231	187	1,900,000
Warm Springs, Mont.	1887	604	60,400	116	21,348
Northfield, Neb.	1888	276	14,274	116	21,348
Hastings, Neb.	1889	139	13,900	116	21,348
Janetown, N. D.	1885	451	5,225	116	21,348
Dayton, Ohio	1852	2410	107,204	187	1,900,000
Cleveland, Ohio	1850	2069	118,209	2912	17,028
Athens, Ohio	1867	288	57,431	2112	12,699,56
Columbus, Ohio	1877	181	18,100	116	21,348
Toledo, Ohio	1881	1567	77,277	116	21,348
Yankton, S. D.	1879	831	45,493	116	21,348
Menomonie, Wis.	1863	2684	107,111	2107	10,912
Winnebago, Wis.	1873	3307	108,815	116	21,348
Wauwatosa, Wis.	1883	1348	61,834	116	21,348

### News and Opinion.

A CLOCK in Battle Creek, Mich., has been running for 100 years.

A DEADWOOD rancher shot a bear fourteen times before a vital spot was reached.

SIXTY-FOUR earthquakes were felt in Japan during March. On March 21 nine shocks occurred.

## The Russian Pharaoh.

The persecution of Jews in Russia is the most cruel and disgraceful spectacle of the century. No excuse can palliate the inhuman scenes in Moscow. It is enough to know that men are being marched through the streets in fetters, not because they are criminals, or accused of crime, but because they are born of a certain race. The facts are too well corroborated to be denied. They are not denied. By a coincidence just at this time Russia had invited the civilized world to Moscow to see an exhibition of art and the visitors have seen quite a different exhibition, one that takes away all taste for art under such patronage.

The czar has deliberately chosen to be the modern Pharaoh of the Jews, and he is dealing with multitudes vastly greater than those that excited the hate and jealousy of the Egyptian oppressor. They are helpless to resist his overwhelming power, but in a broader sense than the term was used of old there is a God in Israel, and such inhumanity cannot fail, in the course of Divine Providence, to be followed by exemplary retribution.—New York Press.

### How to Make Money.

One often hears of Mrs. Senator Somebody, and Mrs. Judge So-and-So, but such titles are rarely met with on visiting cards now. There was an instance of this striving of the wife to wear the husband's tall feathers in Paris, which struck many Americans as very ridiculous. A Dr. Warren had found favor with the Khedive of Egypt, and received the title of Bey. When he established himself in Paris, Americans had visiting cards left upon them reading, "Mrs. Dr. Warren Bey," "Miss Dr. Warren Bey." Many thought Bey was the surname.—Indianapolis Journal.

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## A Snap Shot at Hellamy.

Edward Hellamy looks for the time when people will think it just as much fun to spade the garden as to play baseball. About all of Mr. Hellamy's scheme depend upon a complete revolution in human nature.—Rochester Democrat.

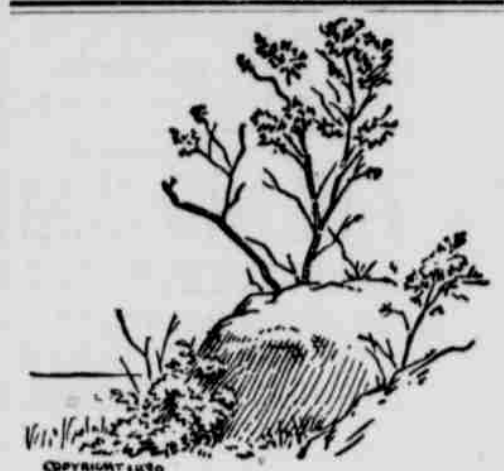
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